

OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

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To the Members of the California State Assembly:

I am signing Assembly Bill 94 because it is an important component of my overall strategy to realign public safety. This bill will provide an easier pathway for counties to access the AB 900 Jail Financing Program provided in existing law. In implementing this bill, I expect that the Corrections Standards Authority will structure the competitive process for projects in a way that fairly balances the preferences specified in the bill and existing law and allows small, medium, and large counties to compete for project financing. Additionally, I acknowledge that my Administration will seek future legislation to adjust the appropriations for the two phases of the AB 900 Jail Financing Program once it is known which counties relinquish Phase 1 awards to compete in Phase 2.

Sincerely,

Edmund G. Brown Jr.